

# NEW JERSEY Regional Hydrologic Indicators & Declared Drought Status

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| Region        | Indicator Status     | Hydrologic Indicator |                    |  |  |                      | Drought Status |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|--|----------------------|----------------|
|               |                      | 90-day precipitation | 90-day stream flow | NJ res.                                      | Del R. res.                                  | Unconf. ground water |                |
| Northwest     | Near or above normal | 14                   | 13                 | Not a significant water source to the region | ●  | 4                    | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |
| Central       | Near or above normal | 14                   | 13                 | ●  | ●  | 14                   | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |
| Northeast     | Near or above normal | 14                   | 12                 | 50   | Not a significant water source to the region | 18                   | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |
| Southwest     | Near or above normal | 14                   | 10                 | Not a significant water source to the region | ●  | 4                    | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |
| Coastal North | Near or above normal | 4                    | 13                 | ●  | Not a significant water source to the region | 4                    | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |
| Coastal South | Near or above normal | 14                   | 10                 | Not a significant water source to the region | Not a significant water source to the region | 4                    | Normal 13      |
|               | Moderately dry       |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Watch          |
|               | Severely dry         |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Warning        |
|               | Extremely dry        |                      |                    |  |  |                      | Emergency      |
|               |                      |                      |                    |  |  |                      |                |

The number in each colored dot is the number of weeks the specific indicator in that region has been in that status. For indicators which changed status this evaluation cycle the arrow indicates the direction of change; it points from the previous status to the current. A water drop (●) indicates the indicator has been green for more than a year.

**Subject to revision and update.** This shows regional drought indicators for New Jersey. Local water-supply conditions may vary. Declared drought status is based on DEP professional judgment of water-supply characteristics and drought indicators in each region. Indicators are shown only for those water resources significant for each region.

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